

**STATE FIRE MARSHAL
DRAFT OF PROPOSED CHANGES
TO TITLE 24 REGULATIONS
DEFINITIONS FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES**

Justification

Current Code needs clarification of the existing definitions for cell tiers and accessory spaces. Existing language does not contain sufficient clarity for the design community. The propose language eliminates this deficiency.

Because the definitions in 323A have been expanded for clarity by another code change proposal the addition of a second paragraph to section 324A, is necessary to continue and complete this clarification process.

Section 323A Definitions

Accessory Spaces – Second Tier: are spaces limited to inmate/public visitation areas, plumbing/service chases, shower areas, storage areas limited to 100 sq ft, janitor rooms limited to 100 sq ft and control rooms.

Cell Tiers – General: are ~~eells, dormitories and accessory spaces.~~ Cell tiers are located one level above the other, and do not exceed two levels per floor. A cell tier shall not be considered a story or mezzanine.

Cell Tiers – Floor Level: are any spaces necessary for the function of the facility.

Cell Tiers – Second Level: shall be limited to cells, dormitories, walkways, and accessory spaces as defined in this section, unless separated as required by 324A.2. Walkways/exit ways shall not include spaces for uses such as TV viewing or lounge areas.

324A2 Second paragraph

Spaces occurring on the second tier level not defined as accessory by section 323A shall be separated by a two-hour fire-resistive vertical separation, which meets the requirements of section 711.